

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original): A moving mechanism of an electric stapler, wherein a driver unit and a clincher unit separately formed from each other are traveled along slide guide members provided in correspondence with the respective units, comprising:

positioning means formed at respectively of the two slide guide members;

locking means, provided at respectively of the driver unit and the clincher unit, for engaging with the positioning means; and

connecting means for switching the driver unit and the clincher unit to two states of connecting the driver unit and the clincher unit and releasing the driver unit and the clincher unit from being connected with each other,

wherein the positioning means and the locking means are released from being engaged with each other by connecting the clincher unit and the driver unit by the connecting means, and the positioning means and the locking means are engaged with each other by releasing the clincher unit and the driver unit from being connected with each other by the connecting means.

2. (Original) The moving mechanism of an electric stapler according to Claim 1, wherein a motor-driver cam is provided to the clincher unit or the driver unit, and the connecting means and the locking means are integrally driven by the motor-driven cam.

3. (New) A moving mechanism of an electric stapler, wherein the electric stapler comprises a driver unit and a clincher unit separately formed from each other, comprising:

a slide guide shaft that guides the driver unit;

a slide guide table that guides the clincher unit;
a positioning groove formed on the slide guide shaft;
a pin hole formed on the slide guide table;
a lever provided in the driver unit and including a notched portion engageable with the positioning groove;
a positioning pin provided in the clincher unit and engageable with the pin hole; and
a connecting pin provided in the clincher unit and movable into the driver unit, wherein the driver unit and the clincher unit are connected when the connecting pin moves into the driver unit,
wherein, when the driver unit and the clincher unit are connected, the notched portion and the positioning groove are disengaged and the positioning pin and the pin hole are disengaged,
and
wherein, when the drive unit and the clincher unit is disconnected, the notched portion and the positioning groove are engaged and the positioning pin and the pin hole are engaged.

4. (New) The moving mechanism according to claim 3, wherein the clincher unit comprises cam, and
wherein the positioning pin and the connecting pin are integrally driven by a movement of the cam.

5. (New) The moving mechanism according to claim 4, wherein, when the positioning pin is driven to disengage with the pin hole, the connecting pin is driven to move into the driver

unit, the lever is upwardly pushed up by the connecting pin, and the notched portion and the positioning groove is disengaged, and

wherein, when the positioning pin is driven to engage with the pin hole, the connecting pin is driven to move down, the lever is downwardly moved, and the notched portion and the positioning groove is engaged.